

Biology Department/York Federation of Students
Course Evaluation Questionnaire

Course: BIOL 4151 3.0 (Membrane Transport) (2004) Instructor: Roger Lew

Please answer all questions as accurately and honestly as you can. Write your additional comments in the space(s) provided. Do not sign this form. The instructor will ask a student representative to collect the forms. Circle only one response per statement. A rating of 1 represents the *least* positive response and a rating of 5 represents the *most* positive response.

Motivation:

1. I took this course because it was: **Required (4)** **Elective (9)**

Rating of the Course:

| | <i>least</i> | | | | | <i>most positive</i> | | | | | |
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| 2. The course fulfilled the description given in the syllabus | 1() | 2() | 3(2) | 4(7) | 5(6) | | | | | | 4.27 |
| 3. The required textbook(s) were useful | 1(2) | 2(1) | 3(7) | 4(1) | 5(1) | | | | | | 2.83 |
| 4. The required readings were useful | 1(2) | 2(1) | 3(3) | 4(6) | 5(1) | | | | | | 3.23 |
| 5. The grading system was fair | 1() | 2(1) | 3(1) | 4(4) | 5(9) | | | | | | 4.40 |
| 6. I feel I learned a great deal taking this course | 1() | 2() | 3(1) | 4(9) | 5(4) | | | | | | 4.21 |
| 7. The course content was interesting | 1() | 2() | 3(1) | 4(3) | 5(11) | | | | | | 4.67 |
| 8. Rate this course overall | 1() | 2() | 3() | 4(10) | 5(5) | | | | | | 4.33 |

Comments: What did you like most/least about the course? (*The student comments are edited slightly for clarity*)

- I enjoyed the independent and abstract learning of the course. Some of the material was confusing and not solid facts
- I liked most the grading system and the way the professor taught the course. The structure of the test was the part I didn't like.
- The material covered was interesting and presented in an effective manner.
- Need more practice problems. Best part is the grading and funny stories
- I liked the fact that this course covers a whole lot of interesting topics, from chem., biochem to physics, to insect stuff. I really enjoyed Dr. Lew's interesting stories, even though at times they had nothing to do with the course.
- The presentation and the laboratory experience.
- Liked: olfactory case study and microinjection
- Lectures were very interesting – the way they were represented made them more interesting
- The enjoyable portion of the course was that talks were always open and that the content was taught originally. Least favorite was the unpredictability of the tests.
- I really enjoy this course.
- MOST: ability to choose marking scheme, and the usefulness of the material
- I liked clarity of lecture most. Tests I liked least, but fair.
- MOST: Fluent lecture style, communications between students and lecturer (story telling rather than presentation of facts); LEAST: only one question asked on a test, making it scary.

Comment on the Marking Scheme:

Rating of the Instructor:

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| 9. The instructor's command of the course material was extensive | 1() | 2() | 3(1) | 4(4) | 5(10) | 4.60 |
| 10. The instructor's presentations were well organized | 1() | 2() | 3(1) | 4(2) | 5(12) | 4.73 |
| 11. The instructor explained difficult or abstract concepts well | 1() | 2() | 3(1) | 4(5) | 5(9) | 4.53 |
| 12. Graded material was returned promptly | 1() | 2() | 3() | 4() | 5(15) | 5.00 |
| 13. The instructor was available and willing to answer questions | 1() | 2() | 3() | 4() | 5(15) | 5.00 |
| 14. The instructor was able to stimulate interest in the course | 1() | 2() | 3() | 4() | 5(15) | 5.00 |
| 15. Considering all factors, rate the instructor | 1() | 2() | 3() | 4(1) | 5(14) | 4.93 |

Comment on the abilities of the instructor:

- Great professor. Very interesting class discussions. Great earning experience.
- He is funny and knows his material.
- He is very organized and knows his subject very well.
- Extensive knowledge of material presented, and presented the material well.
- Maybe have one entire class devoted to wonderful life stories.
- Dr. Lew is a great instructor, I wish he taught other courses.
- The instructor was very nice in terms of explaining questions and lecture. The presentations were good and nicely done.
- Very intriguing instructor. One hour lecture just goes very quickly in this course.
- He made the lectures more interesting. He seemed so enthusiastic about the subjects, and it made me feel excited about the new material represented every lecture, and made the whole process of learning much easier.
- I enjoyed his way/method of teaching and found him to be very personable. Very original way of teaching and inspired/encouraged the thought process.
- Dr. Lew is a very good lecturer and I feel his presentation very interesting for me.
- I liked most his respect for students and easy casual manner. Very knowledgeable in subject matter and extremely enthusiastic teaching.
- Excellent.
- Although Dr. Lew would be diverted from his original plan sometimes, but we are still being presented with what we need to know about transporters. It is a fun experience in this lecture.
- Excellent. Thank you for offering this course.

Retake:

18. Ignoring any degree or professional requirements, would you have enrolled in this course knowing what you now know? **YES (15) NO ()**